



**MINUTES OF THE  
LAFAYETTE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**December 20, 2021**

**7:00 pm**

**Council Chambers, City Hall**

**Attendance**

**Commission Members:** John Burns, Julie Ginn, Kevin Klinker, Sean Lutes, Shawna McCully, Amy Paget

**Absent:** Patti Morgan, Glen Vick

**Staff in Attendance:** John Collier, Asst. Director, Economic Development

**Guests:** Tom Murtaugh, Tippecanoe County Commissioner

**Call to Order**

Noting a quorum, President John Burns called the meeting of the Lafayette Historic Preservation Commission to order at 7:00 pm. The Commission paused for a moment in memory of Kurt Wahl, who passed away unexpectedly at the end of November. Kurt was remembered for his easy-going nature, expertise, kindness and his 16 years of service to the Commission and the community. He will be sorely missed.

**Approval of the Minutes**

Kevin Klinker moved to recommend approval of the November 22, 2021 meeting minutes. Shawna McCully seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**Approval of the 2022 Calendar of Historic Preservation Commission & Committee Meetings** Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve, Julie Ginn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Relations and Education Committee-** No report

**District Committee-**No report

**COA Committee report**

**301 Main Street-Tippecanoe County Courthouse**

Sean Lutes gave an overview of the County's desire to replace the existing limestone surrounding the south, ground floor entrance to the courthouse and the two side walls under the stairs on either side. The existing limestone is deteriorating due to damage from de-icing chemicals that are used at the south entry (only public entry) to the courthouse. They are proposing replacement with a cast stone product the same dimensions as the existing limestone and the same joint size and mortar color as existing. The cast stone product holds up well and is more durable with regard to the de-icing chemicals. The proposed color will be "Natural White." Tom Murtaugh, Tippecanoe County Commissioner, spoke in support of the project. Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve, Amy Paget seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **509 -511 Columbia St**

Sean Lutes gave an overview of the project on behalf of new property owner, Stuart Propes, who initiated removal of the existing (non-original) awnings with the intention of reinstalling them and painted the aluminum trim on the Columbia St. façade before realizing that a COA was required for painting previously unpainted materials. Mr. Propes was very apologetic at the COA Committee meeting and submitted the COA application immediately after learning of the violation. Consequently, the owner is requesting approval after the work has been done. The owner is interested in replacing the awnings, but is open to installing more appropriate awnings than those removed and is requesting assistance in determining a more appropriate awning. Dann Keiser made note that painting the existing unpainted aluminum surface does not meet current Secretary of Interior standards, but painting doesn't damage the existing material and therefore could be removed at some point in the future. The owner will reach out to the Commission with any future projects. Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve, Shawna McCully seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Main St. Streetscape Phase IV**

John Collier presented on behalf of the City for an ongoing phase of the streetscape project on Main St which will include 8<sup>th</sup> St. from Main to Columbia Street, as well as both sides of Main St. from where the last phase ended (at Instant Copy and the former Carnahan Hall bldg.) east to just past the current Democratic HQ bldg. on the north side of Main and the new Stallard & Schuh Building (formerly PFCU) on the south side of Main. The proposed changes are all consistent with past phases of streetscape projects. The awning attached to 822-826 Main St. will remain, but the posts will be replaced and the number reduced from 5 to 4, if possible. HWC Engineering will work with Dann Keiser to ensure that posts are appropriate. Julie Ginn made a motion to approve, Shawna McCully seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Staff Report**

The meeting schedule will be updated to include all Committees and will be reapproved at a later date.

### **Public Comment**

No public comments were received.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, Kevin Klinker moved to adjourn the meeting. Julie Ginn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Michelle Conwell, Recording Secretary*

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Glen Vick, Secretary  
Historic Preservation Commission